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creet at the time it was made, though is now too low. Nevertheless, on were assessed and taxed it crease the revenue from this tax commission can disclose the manifest avil by measures which have

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GENTLE ANNE.

April is the first spring month, no matter what sheep's eyes extronomes may the spring what sheep's eyes extronomes may though a transport to the present of the hatton. That the people where the present is the people of the hatton. That the people was extronomes may though a versual way, at watton where the present is of the present was the present and the present is the present of the present is of the present in the control and dominate it. But if this way to affirmation, whispers swell into a dominate it. But if this way to affirmation, whispers swell into a dominate it. But if this way to affirmation, whispers swell into a dominate it to the present in the control and dominate a dominate a dominate in the word lasting with a peril in the control and dominate a dominate a dominate in the word lasting with a peril in the control and dominate a dominate a dominate and ferred or present and the word lasting with a peril in the control and dominate a dom

makers use it as an opportunity to that no danger is in sight. drop the waist-line ten inches, and so But let us say once more that the defashion forty million dollars' worth need of completing the party equip-

theme for little articles like this. Greetings, Gentle Annie, and welome to our city.

THE ASSESSMENT OF TAXES; THE SECOND REMEDY.

In advicating the more frequent assessment of lands and the appointment bing, or else frankly admit that the of a permanent tax commission as the Republican position has all along been friend he was sitting up with died at irst steps in the reform of the present right, and the Democratic position last. inefficient method of assessing taxes in has all along been wrong. He is quite Virginia, this newspaper has had in mind the necessity of equality between all tax-payers and the necessity of securing an ample revenue for the State. No tax reform can have any claim for the serious consideration of the people the serious consideration of the people. leginia, this newspaper has had in mind right in this. When reformers pas-

solidest of its principles. The silence of these who should speak has been fancy-priced allenist to show that a the most significant and discouraging man who tries to lick Roosevelt is feature of the situation. Yet Mr. Kit-not all there. solitary Elijah crying out by himself effect on the assessors. The work of the tax commission in Kansas demonstrated this fact within three months victions. The process of readjustment sidewalks. victions. The process of readjustment under the compelling prod of interest is gradual, and meantime there must needs be irregularities on the firingline. But the rank and file, though it may shift, will show an undiminished number; and at any time when a count of these is made it would be found that there are countless knees which

and approval of intelligent and dis-

turned into the State Treasury HOW A STATE CONVENTION WOULD

kissed him

The demand for a State Democratic Convention, or for some other means r deductions, the returns from real party organization, has no relation to estate were \$1,276,737.49. Thus the any fasues raised or unraised in this total taxes from all real and personal particular campaign. The demand is the assessed value of the property on clai views as to prohibition or any was thing else. The larger question in \$547,240,965. This figure is ridiculously volved in it is simply whether or not In 1904 the United States Census the party should surrender its duty of Bureau made an estimate of this same making platforms to two or three self-

This question is not a new answered it affirmatively. They have given the platform-making power to andidates; and it is possible that many Democratic leaders in Virginia would favor this disposition of the matter. The Times-Dispatch does not favor it. This newspaper believes that it is the business of a party to lay down party issues and frame party platforms, and not the business of a few volunteers, however estimable and capable they may be. For transacting and new ambitions. The South is south to day, are becoming more and more the problems of the country. A new South—the in-dustrial South—has grown up, and as it increases in power the traditions. South of the planter and of the slave-owner, become of less binding strength and capable they may be. For transacting and new ambitions. The South is this necessary and helpful business, The Times-Dispatch is disposed to accept until some better instrument is sug-

Mande. As for the burnished dove, the livelier iris may now be discerned gleaming by bird-fanciers and others who take the trouble to investigate. As for the young man's fancy, there is small doubt that it is now lightly turning in the old familiar direction. As for the knots in the fence around the ball park, be confident that the lads are knocking them out against the opening of the season much as their grandsires did before them.

There is a perennial interest in the beginning of spring, as we believe several persons have remarked during the last few thousand years. Not for nothing has it been observed that poets seldom or never break their typewriters of tis new-mown hay and that sort of its new-mown hay and that sort of or drear November. Summer, because possible for its members to assemble of its new-mown hay and that sort of in convention without fighting like a of its new-mown hay and that sort of in convention without fighting like a thing, has attracted some attention backlot full of Kilkenny cats, the soon-from the bards but little in comparier this fight is settled, adjusted, healed over and forgotten, the better for the in seasons with all classes. Wives use in seasons with all classes. Wives use party. Effective and harmonious work in the convention of the seasons with all classes. Wives use in seasons with all classes. Wives use it as a chance to reden; boys use if as a chance to revisit the old swimmin'-hole; dress
over and forgotten, the netter for the ne

of clothes; druggists use if to market ment, in a direction where it is obcold-cures; close-fisted me use it in viously deficient, is quite independent

The Cimes Bispaich save coal and light bills; physicians of these differences and this situation use it to warn against the dangers of As to this particular campaign, a con taking 'em off; editors use it as the vention is already somewhat belated when the demand for it was first voiced, and before the candidates had brought forward their own platforms and laid down their own issues. Yet KITCHIN OF NORTH CAROLINA. Representative Kitchin, of North even at this late day, the providing of Carolina, is evidently one of the old- a convention, or of some substitute fashioned Democrats who still hold for it, would be very much worth that a high protective tariff is an while. It is important for the Demoeconomic unwisdom and an ethical cratic party to retain its right to de-inequity. He thinks, as his party used fine the party position on such issues to think, that the tariff is a "bogus" as there may be, and to signify now friend; that its benefits are specious that it does not mean to hand this benefits; that its prosperity is an arti- right over to voluntary applicants for is really only a kind of unthinking ground that the attempt to claim its fright, demanding costly shelter from would bring on a row and a split, the fantastic dangers which do not exist. timidity and feeble ineffectuality of He says, too, that Democrats who ask its position can hardly fall to weaken protection in the interest of their conits hold on the growing number of stituents can no longer attack Repub- voters who intend to think for them-

A husband in another State has jus-

"Kansas," says Representative Mur

in explaining the conduct of some of these Democratic Congressmen by any argument which commands the assent and approval of intelligent and dis-

As we view the matter, it takes no

Take no candy from children to-day

Few shorn lambs of Wall Street ever went out more tamely.

"What is love?" inquires the Washington Herald, a paper that lives almost next door to Congress.

In view of the tax, the mailed hands of Richmond propose to abandon the wearing of velvet gloves hereafter.

A great deal of exciting African A great deal of exerting Arroan matter is appearing in the public prints these days from the pens of enterprising persons who were never nearer the real thing than Little Africa, N. Y.

Being as he is now a collector, we do not see a single reason why Loeb, Jr., should not be elected to the Bill Being as he is now a collector,

If the women once get after it, they'll surely make it look like an openwork stocking schedule before they get through.

THE GROWING SOUTH.

New York Press Sees Great Possibili-ties Below Mason and Dixon's Line. Below Mason and Dixon's line things change slowly. Yet they have changed and are changing. The problems which confront the South to-day are

will the next Legislature make to them, and what steps will they take toward remedying an existing and manifest evil by measures which have elsewhere proven efficacious and concerned, it is true enough, as The

Let the party and perfls are the pangers and perfls are the pangers and perfls are the pangers are deep.

We cannot sleep, "Teddy," we cannot sleep.

Che.-Lonely, fonely, ionely we weep! Sadly, sadly, sadly we sleep! MRS, S. March 28, 1909.

Borrowed Jingles.

How wonderful is man! He rides
With outspread wings upon the air;
He puts a harness on the tides
And finds his sorrow hard to bear
When he begins to lose his hair.

He shoots a smokeless, noiseless gun And thus o'ercomes his bitter foe: He girds the earth, he weighs the sun, And uses language that is low Hecause some one steps on his toe,

Waste lands he makes superbly rich
And carelessly pours in his face
Things of a fiery nature which
Extend him in the reeking ditch.

He joins the oceans, spans the plains, And set lavistians shoat; The lord of all things he remains, He studies planets far remote, And lets a ward boss cast his vote.

How wonderful is man! He walks Upon the bottom of the sea, Add usually when he talks Exhibits toolishness that he Exhibits foolishness the mel Supposes to be wit, ah, mel —Chicago Daily News.

MERELY JOHING.

Why Indeed,
"What's Johnny been doing?" asked the
patient father,
"He had an altercation with the neighbors' children, was warned by the police,
broke the cellar window, tried to put a carfridge in the furnace, and—that's all I can
think of just now."
"It's absolutely marvelous, isn't it?"
"What is?"
"That anybody should have the nerve to
kidnap a small boy!"—Washington Star.

Not Sensitive. "You are a liar!" exclaimed the first man hotly,
"May be so," replied the other, "but, thank goodness, Pm not sensitive,"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Between Aftists.

It was at the musicale. "Do you play?" asked the long-halred individual, "Oh, yes," replied the man in the red tie, "Do you play Beethoven?" asked he of the long hair. "No, but I'll play you a game of plnochle if we can get away from this racket," replied the man in the red tie.—Philadelphia Record. He Got the Directon.

But recently arrived, a shade bustled up to St. Peter, "My good man," said he, "will you tell me where I must go to get souvenir post-cards?" And St. Peter, eying him sourly, told him where he could go to.—Cleveland Leader.

Symptoms of Insanity. Symptoms of Insanity.
Captain (of baseball nine): "You think Stumpy is getting sort of weak in his mind? Why?"
Manager: "He renewed his contract for this seasoin without making a kick for a higher salary,"—Chicago Tribune.

Thankful.

Thankin.

Henpecke: "Every man has avery
be thankful for."

Wigwag: "What have you to be thankful

Wigwag: "What have you to be thankful we have little or no doubt that many worthy persons in Boston believe that possum and taters is the South's national dish. From a baked bean community, this looks to uselike sass.

WISDOM IN SMALL DOSES.

B EFORE marriage a man will go through all sorts of contortions rather all sorts of contortions rather than let his sweetheart stoop over to pick up her handkerchief; after marriage he'll sit nly in an armchair and waich her move plane about the room.—Detroit Free . . .

We venture the assertion that the Glorious Girls of Gotham look less streetous in the new spring buts than the asterisk-eyed blondes of Richmond or the grand old wid-ows of dimpled Houston—New York, Even-ing Mati. . . .

A woman can trill as deeply over her pre-parations for housedeaning as a man over getting ready to go fishing.—New York Press,

A cellar button was found in an Okla-homa man's appendix, showing the fullity of searching under the bureau instead of calling a surgeon.—St, Louis Post-Dispatch,

Don't misjudge the man who wears frayel overcoat. He may be merely trying to make it last six weeks longer.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Crazy Snake will plead emotional insan-ty.—New York Evening Post,

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Like the Empress of Germany, Queen Vic-oria of Sweden is a great housekeeper, and i her youth, at Baden, her mother saw to that she received practical instruction in he srt of cooking. One of the happlest ours of her stay at Windsor was conse-uently spent in inspecting the huge kitch-

Dr. Charles H. Sterberger, the author of "The Life of a Fossil Hunter," is one of the cliest and best known explorers in his field. He has not only furnished many of the finest specimens from Kansas, Texas. Oregon and other places to the museums of America and Europe, but he has had many lively adventures with Indians, buffalo, etc. The book contains more humor than its title would indicate.

The Courts of Europe

By La Marquise de Fontenoy.

The New East of Hardwicke.

OND ROYSTON, who now, through the death of his father, a Citymen with the death of his cown such millionaire dynamite, manufacturer, of Bay City, Mich., the marriage, however, and the death of his cown such as a function of his cown such

No Western government shows a more profound concern on the subject of the education of its young people than that of Japan. But while it disof the education of its young people than that of Japan. But while it displays in most matters relating to instruction an extraordinary breadth of view, permitting the importation and the publication in Japanese of literature assailing and ridiculing the religious faiths, the laws and the customs of the people, it has just put down the bars against the works of Count Leo Toisto's According to a decree issued by the Tokyo government in the name of the Mikado, all of Tolstol's works already in Japan are to be seized and confiscated wherever found, their circulation is penalized and their importation forbidden. The reason given for this decree is that Tolstol's works are "of a character to demoralize youth," from which it woud appear that for once in a way the governments of Japan and of Russia are in accord.

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Prince Robert de Broglie, the degencrate descendant of Mme. de Stael, despite his unenviable record in the United States, and his extraordinary adventures in the various capitals of Europe with the American woman (now abandoned) with whom he had contracted at Chicago a marriage which he knew perfectly well to be invalid in the eyes of French law, has made his peace with his family, and appeared the other day as one of the chief mourners, together with his father and elder brothers, at the funeral of his sister-in-law, Princess, Albert de Broglie, daughter of the Marquis d'Harcourt. The Duc de Luynes, chief of the household of the Duke of Orleans, represented the Royal Dukes of Chartres and of Ponthievre (the latter a graduate of Annapolis) and also the Comte d'Eu. In fact, there was an immense gathering of the great world of Paris.

None of them took any exception to Robert de Broglies presence. Yet barely two years have elapsed since his expulsion by the police from several of the capitals of Europe, owing to his attempt to exploit his historic name and title by acting as conductor and impresario to Estelle Alexander on the stage of more or less reputable cafes chantants and music halls. At Rome he found a manager willing to the fair Estelle. And although the house was crowded, yet both she and Robert de Broglie were literally driven from the stage by the hisses and jeers of an audience composed almost exclusive to manifest their Indignation at the way in which one of their caste was endeavoring to turn the name of his family to a monetary account, not by honest and artistic endeavors, but by mere scandal.

Of the record of Robert de Broglie in this county, the less said the bet-

Plus X. should have receded from the position taken by his two predecessors in the chair of St. Peter, and he himself is now doubtless the first to deplore that he did not adhere to the sound advice of his particularly clever Spanish Secretary of State, Cardinal Merry del Val.

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ingues indused in by tariff beneficiaries, give some cotto thete claim, yet few part with a sympathics—Fredericksburg Daily Star. Adding "Why?"

Now, why did Mr. Touker say he sould you carry in his home town of Exhiption, because of the young meh, and would be elifes like the kinhomol and Nortik? It looks like he in making a bid for the vote of the statements, I cook, like he would have ray gard for the young men in a small town, but no a fare yet young men may take to the front. We cannot understand such views on the liquor, question is being sound.

An still, friends, we are without a candidate in the gubernavoril Balls—Suffeil Bounds like the front. We cannot understand such views on the liquor, question is Balls—Suffeil Bounds like the front. We cannot understand such views on the liquor, question is Balls—Suffeil Bounds like such as the post of the post of the satisfaction.

"Then Yligresid."

"The death in Balilmor Monlaye of Tour, and most popular shired men of the country. The death in Balilmor Monlaye of Tour, and most popular shired men of the country. The strength of the same as a series of the Balimore and the same as a series of the Balimore and the same as a series of the Balimore and the same as a series of the Balimore and the same as a series of the Balimore and the same as a series of the Balimore and the same conclusion, which he experience and great manager of the Same and the same conclusion, which he experience and the same conclusion, which he experience and playing a dading to mistar the patience of the Balimore and the same conclusion, which he experience and the same conclusion, which he

any longer into the belief that taxes on imports which make prices high for what they eat, drink or wear, for what provides them with shelter and supplies them with materials and implements for their occupation or business; in short, which boosts the cost of living to a level that makes the purchasing power of their income shrink, in order that the income of the favorities of protection may swell is a good thing for the country and its people. This is an economic question, and is a party question only so long is a good thing for the country and its people. This is an economic question, and is a party question only so long as one party is controlled by the interests which demand and receive the usufruct of protection and pay for it in political contributions or other party support. Those interests are visibly losing their hold upon the party which has so long served them, while here and there they are asserting influence over the other party.

Journal of Commerce.

TEA ROOMS AND MORALS.

Mr. Howells Says Nice Things About Cultured Plucky Southern Women.
Speaking, of civilization, do you know what a genial change the teat room is working in our morals and manners? There are many interesting phases of its progress among usand not the least interesting of these and not the least interesting of these and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle the richness of it and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle the richness of it and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle the richness of it and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle that the coffee tasted fine, but my sister did not tell me I was a circle the richness of it and remarked that the coffee tasted fine, but take any more.

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In pursuance of its policy to place its its policy to pla

A Sarsaparilla Free from Alcohol

Is alcohol a tonic? No! Does it make the blood pure? No! Does it strengthen the nerves? No!

"binding," that much ado has to made about a small affair, while made about a small affair, while

only by a mind warped by prejudic.

It is only the Pharisees who can accomplish this feat, these holier than thou people, who imagine they are saints, and condemn as sinners all who do not do as the Pharisee thinks he would do because he knows nothing about it.—Augusta (Ga.) Herald.

NOT FOOLED.

The People Are Seeing and Commenting on Tariff Question.

Not many people are to be fooled any longer into the belief that taxes on imports which make prices high for what they eat drink or wear, for what provides them with shelter and supplies them with materials and impurited in the series of the new rules can be seen."

The Statesboro News sees in these will not stand for "bossism." and the Griffin News and Sun remarks in conclusion.

"It will take something more than their fellow-members to convince us on imports which make prices high for what they eat drink or wear, for what provides them with shelter and supplies them with materials and impurite with the critical or the principle or party in this accomplished. ion, or that they ny strategic points.

any strategic points."

In truth, with all the evidence it hand, the incident seems to have developed into somewhat of a tempest in a teapot.

The effort to make these shall course. The effort to make these six georgic Congressmen answer for their course to those to whom they were in no sense responsible has lamentably failed.— Atlanta Constitution.